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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

SHIMOKAWA, et al.

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For:

DATA STRUCTURE IN DATABASE, DATABASE SYSTEM FOR

MANAGING DATABASE AND DATABASE MANAGING METHOD

AND SYSTEM

Group:

2771

Examiner:

Le, U.

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

January 13, 2000

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 13, 1999, the period of response for which extension is requested in the attached Petition for Extension of Time, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, line 3, after "system" insert --,--; same line, after "of" insert --an--; same

line, after "scale" insert --,--;

line 5, after "in" (first occurrence) insert --a--;

line 7, after "of" insert --a--;